

DECLARATION

EXHIBIT 1

A. J. BENNAZAR ZEQUEIRA, ESQ.
Curriculum Vitae

Born : Mayagüez, Puerto Rico, August 12, 1951
Civil Status : Married to Wilda J. Nin; 2 children

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND:

High School : Colegio San Ignacio de Loyola, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 1968
University : Fordham University, New York, B.A., 1971
Law : Escuela de Derecho de la Universidad de Puerto Rico, Juris
Doctor, Cum Laude, 1974
Cont. legal ed. : National Institute of Trial Advocacy (NITA)
National Session, Boulder, Colo., 1978.
Bar Admissions : Puerto Rico, 1974; US District Court-P.R., 1976;
US Court of Appeals, 1st Circuit, 1980;
Notary Public, Puerto Rico, 1976.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

1973 : Legal research assistant to the P.R. Government's Commission
on a universal health insurance plan.
1974 - 75 : Law Clerk to the Hon. Angel M. Martín, Associate Justice of the
Puerto Rico Supreme Court.
1975 - 79 : Litigation Attorney, O'Neill & Borges, Hato Rey, Puerto Rico.
1980 - 95 : Partner, González, Bennazar & Colorado; González,
Bennazar, García - Arregui & Fullana; González & Bennazar
Hato Rey, San Juan, Puerto Rico.
1995 - 2005 : Bufete Bennazar, C.S.P., San Juan, Puerto Rico.
General civil and commercial practice and litigation.
2005 - Present : Founder and Director, Bennazar, García & Milián, C.S.P.
General civil and commercial practice, litigation, arbitration,
corporate, real estate, human resources, intellectual property,
estates.

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OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

SUPREME COURT OF PUERTO RICO

- Legal counsel to the Supreme Court's Special Commission that drafted the Puerto Rico Rules of Judicial Ethics, 1977.
- Chairperson, Special Committee on Bar admission by reciprocity. The Supreme Court of P.R. adopted the Committee's recommendations in its Resolution of October 20, 1980.
- Puerto Rico Bar Admission Examination Board, 1982-84.
- Co-chair, organizing Committee III Judicial Conference of the Americas, 1993-1994.

PUERTO RICO CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION (Comisión de Derechos Civiles de Puerto Rico)

- Commissioner from 1991 to 2002; Vice President 95-96 and 97 to 2000.
- President, 2001 - 2002.

PUERTO RICO BAR ASSOCIATION (COLEGIO DE ABOGADOS DE P.R.)

- Member, Special Committee on the legal status of the Panamá Canal, 1976-78.
- Selected most distinguished young attorney by the P.R. Bar for the year 1978-79.
- President, Río Piedras District Chapter, 1979-80.
- Board of Governors, 1980 - 82; 86-88; 2003 and 04-06.
- Ethics Committee: 1982 - 85.
- Member, Special Committee that drafted the Internal Rules of Proceedings of the Board of Governors, 1982 (Still in effect today).

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- Board Member, Pro Bono, Inc. (legal assistance to indigents) 1981-88.
- Member, Board of Trustees of the Notarial Bonds Trust Fund (Fondo de Fianza Notarial): 1988-90.
- Member, Committee to Revise the Association's By-Laws 1999-2000.
- Chair, Organizing Committee of the XIV Congress of the UIBA, Río Grande, Puerto Rico: 2004.
- International Affairs Committee: Member since 1998; President, 2000-02.
- Special Committee for PR Bar Association appearance at the United Nations, 2008-10.
- President, P.R. Bar Foundation, 2006-2016.

INTER AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION (FIA/IABA)

- Individual member 1975-99; Lifetime member since 1999.
- Member, Human Rights Committee since 1975, and Chair from 1981 to 87.
- Secretary, Organizing Committee XXI Conference, San Juan, P.R., 1978-79.
- Council (Board of Governors) member since 1987 to present.
- Board of Governors, Inter-American Bar Foundation, 1989-92.
- Chair, Organizing Committee XXXI IABA Conference San Juan, P. R., 1993-94.
- Executive Committee, 1995 to 2001.
- First Vice President 98-99.
- President, 99-00.

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- Institutional Forum on Legal Practice (Foro Institucional de la Abogacía), Co-chair 2002 – 2013; Chair 2013.
 - Member, Organizing Committee 50th IABA Conference, San Juan, PR, 2013-2014.

INTERNATIONAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE CONSORTIUM (ILAC) (Stockholm, Sweeden)

- Participant as IABA representative during organizational process, 1999 - 2001.
- IABA representative at AGM, 2002 – present.
- Haiti Rule of Law assessment mission, 2004 – 2005.
- Council member, 2004 – 2016.
- Individual member since 2010.
- Executive Committee, 2009 – 2013.
- Board of Directors, 2013 – 2017.
- Honorary Lifetime Member, 2017.
- Guatemala Rule of Law preparatory assessment mission, 2017.
- Advisory Council, 2017.

NOTARY PUBLIC ASSOCIATION OF P.R.

Founding Member, 1986

President, Ethics Committee, 1987-88.

Author of "Los Colegios y asociaciones de abogados como mecanismos para preservar la ética profesional" presented to the IV Jornada Notarial de la Unión Internacional de Notariado Latino, in San José, Costa Rica, July, 1987.

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REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FIA/IABA TO OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

World Peace Through Law Congress, Cairo, 1982.

Latin American Lawyers' Congress, Caracas, 1987.

International Bar Association (IBA): Vancouver, 1998; Caracas, 1999; Barcelona 1999 and Amsterdam 2000.

Union Internationale Des Avocats (UIA): New Delhi, 1999; Buenos Aires, 2000.

Union Iberoamericana de Colegios, Barras y Asociaciones de Abogados (UIBA); Fortaleza, Brasil 2000; Lisboa, Portugal 2001; San Pedro Sula, Honduras 2003; San Juan, 2004; Panamá, 2006; San José, Costa Rica 2008 and Madrid, España 2009.

INTERNATIONAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE CONSORTIUM (ILAC), Stockholm, Sweden since 1999.

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Asociación Puertorriqueña pro Bienestar de la Familia (P.R. Planned Parenthood Assoc.)
Board of Directors: 77-82; First Vice President 80-82

Corporación de Servicios Legales de Puerto Rico (Puerto Rico Legal Services Corporation)
Board Member 77-83; Ethics Committee 78-81; Executive Committee 79-82

The Global Executive Network President 96-97.

HONORARY MEMBER

- Panamá Bar Association
- La Paz, Bolivia Bar Association
- Cochabamba, Bolivia Bar Association
- Lima, Perú Bar Association
- Santa Cruz Bar Association

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- Dominican Association of Women Lawyers (ANA), Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic
 - Recipient of "La Cruz del Mérito en Servicio a la Abogacia", granted by El Consejo General de la Abogacía Española (General Council of the Bars of Spain), September 2000.